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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Several witnesses examined at the Roberts investigation; Roberts was told that his demurrer was overruled. — Only routine business before the Senate yesterday; the currency debate in the House lasted all day and until 10.30 at night. — Gen. Methuen reports that he met with a severe repulse at Modder river Sunday; the loss was great; Gen. Wauchope was killed. — Two negro men, convicted of murder, hanged at Valdosta, Ga. — S. W. Gardner, of Orlando, Fla., on a visit to Macon, Ga., lost $17,600 in money while driving in a surrey. — Tobacco growers are organizing for a movement to raise the price of their product. — A number of persons in Savannah, Ga., have been indicted in the U. S. Court for conspiring to defraud through the U. S. mails. — W. F. Carter, ex-postmaster at Meldrim, Ga., sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for embezzling government funds; he was chairman of the Populist executive committee of Georgia. — Ex-Senator Allen has been appointed U. S. Senator by the Governor of Nebraska. — Gen. Otis reports that the Filipino insurgents are at the end of their resources; Aguinaldo has abandoned his troops and is hiding in the province of Bauquet. — New York markets: Money on call quoted firm at 3½@8 per cent.; last loan 5 per cent.; ruling rate 6 per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 7 11 16c.; flour steady and very quiet; wheat—spot firmer; No. 2 red 74½c.; corn—spot firm; No. 2, 40⅝c.; rosin firm; strained common to good $1.45; spirits turpentine dull.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 13.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 44 degrees; 8 P. M., 53 degrees; maximum, 65 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees; mean, 49 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .38.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—For North Carolina: Fair Thursday; colder in western and central portions; Friday, probably rain; variable winds, becoming fresh northeasterly.

Port Almanac - Dec. 14.

Sun Rises	7.06 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 44 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 38 M.
High Water at Southport	5 31 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	9.01 A. M.

The twine manufacturers are trying to get a corner on twine and at the same time a twist on the twine users.

H. C. Frick has left the Carnegie Company and joined another company. There was too much friction between him and Carnegie.

The Arctic mosquito is said to be the boss pest of that region. A mosquito which could carry on business in that latitude must be a tough cuss.

The city Hoboken, N. J., has reduced the fine for spitting on the sidewalk from $25 to $3. The $25 fine depressed the business and was a revenue destroyer.

It is said that within the past ten years, since Andrew Carnegie has begun to contribute money to public libraries, he has given more than $9,000,000 for that purpose.

The young Duke of Manchester gets $500 a week for doing special reporting for the New York *Journal*. He gets the work done for about $10 a week, puts his name to it, and makes $490.

There were 225 voting machines used at the last election in the State of New York. They all worked well but seven, and that wasn't the fault of the machines, but of the fellows who operated them.

An English Duke boasts that he has ten nephews in the army fighting against the Boers, or on their way there. It is said that Oom Paul has fifty grandsons in the Boer army and isn't boasting a bit about it.

According to the State superintendent of railroads in Pennsylvania, the railroads of that State employ 296,628 persons who receive in wages annually $143,664,542, $8,000,000 of which goes to officials, the rest to working people.

It is said that the Boers have sent word to Cecil Rhodes that if they catch him they will put him in a cage, show him around and then turn him over to Oom Paul. A good deal of pressure will have to be brought to bear on Cecil to get him into this show business.

A large number of the inhabitants of the town of Wolcott, N. Y., are hobbling around on canes, victims of a peculiar disease which puzzles the doctors. It attacks the right knee, and is so painful that a first class case of rheumatism or gout wouldn't be a circumstance to it. It runs its course in about three weeks.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Complaint is made that no scavenger work has been done for weeks in the vicinity of Fourth and Church streets.

— The government inspection boat *Mary Lily*, formerly the *Evelyn*, has been nicely repainted and overhauled at Skinner's ship yard.

—The Clyde steamship *Richmond*, which arrived Tuesday night late, on account of the storm, proceeded to Georgetown on her regular trip yesterday morning.

— Raleigh *Post*: "Mr. Bellamy's measure to repeal the tariff on woodpulp and other ingredients which go to make good newspapers, is a move in the right direction."

— Mrs. J. J. LeGwin gave a delightful reception at her residence, No. 421 South Fifth street, last night for the benefit of Fifth Street M. E. Church. Ice cream, cake and other refreshments were served.

— Prayer meeting will be held this evening at the First Presbyterian Church at 7.30 o'clock instead of 8 P. M., in order to give those who may wish, an opportunity to attend the entertainment at the Y. M. C. A.

— Capt. S. F. Craig, secretary of the Cape Fear Towing and Transportation Company, says that the tug *Alexander Jones* will arrive in port early next week from Baltimore, where she has been for repairs.

— Jeff Davis Council, Junior Order American Mechanics, at their meeting last night, nominated officers for the ensuing year. The election and announcement of appointive officers will occur Wednesday night week.

— The fire alarm about noon yesterday, was caused by the burning out of a chimney at the two-story dwelling of John Hubbard, colored, No. 612 Ann street. The house belongs to Jno. D. Bellamy, Esq., and there was no damage.

— K. D. Nixon, colored, was before Justice McGowan yesterday, charged with embezzlement in collecting money for persons and withholding the same from the owners. The case was transferred to Justice Fowler and will be heard to day.

— The steamer *Planter* arrived at 6.30 o'clock last evening from Georgetown, S. C., with another cargo of cotton for Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. This is the *Planter's* third cargo for Messrs. Sprunt & Son within the past three weeks. She brought 411 bales this trip and will probably finish discharging to-day and return this evening.

— The Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to adjournment of the regular monthly meeting on the first Monday, will meet to-morrow afternoon for the purpose of receiving renewals of bonds of the various county officers whose first year of office expired December 1st. It is probable other business will also be transacted at the meeting.

— The Norwegian steamship *Aquila*, 1,407 tons, Capt. Andersen, arrived on the second trip to this port this season late yesterday afternoon after being detained at quarantine since Tuesday afternoon, at 5.30 o'clock. She is one of the "Sprunt Line" of steamers and came from Hamburg, Germany, with a cargo of kainit and muriate of potash for the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company.

— Burgaw came very nearly having another fire Tuesday night about 10 o'clock. A Rochester lamp, suspended from the ceiling in Mr. James Rivenbark's store, fell and was smashed against the floor, scattering about a half gallon of oil over the floor. A big blaze flashed up at once, but several men were in the store and they threw quilts and dirt over the oil. Meanwhile the court house bell rang and a big crowd responded. It looked at one time as if the store would be burned, and a large amount of goods was carried out. The damage amounted to probably $50.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

C. B. O'Berry—Discovered.
Sneed-Fuller Co.—Furniture.
King Grocery Co.—For Christmas.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Ground cocoanut
J. B. & J. C. King—Sweet oranges.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Plush cape.

THE CAROLINA CENTRAL.

The Stockholders' Meeting Adjourned Yesterday Till December 28th.

The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Central railroad, to have been held yesterday at 11 o'clock in the company's office, on North Front street, was not held for lack of a quorum.

Only a few of the stockholders, who reside in Wilmington, were present. Mr. J. C. Stevenson was called to the chair and Capt. T. D. Meares was made secretary, and as there was no quorum an adjournment was taken until 11 A. M. December 28th.

Stole Gun and Money.

Constable Sheehan yesterday placed in jail, for trial at 3 o'clock this afternoon, Cornelius Bloodworth, colored, for the larceny of $3 in cash and a gun from Henry Huggins, colored, who lives on the turnpike near the third toll house. The case will come up before Justice Fowler.

Do you want 2,000 or 3,000 old newspapers at your own price? If so, call at the STAR office. They make a cheap wrapping paper. †

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

Directors' Meeting Yesterday—Committee Appointed to Urge the Board of Aldermen to Improve Market Street.

The board of directors of the Wilmington Merchants' Association held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the association, in the Seaboard Air Line building.

President W. A. Johnson presided, and Secretary P. Heinsberger was at his post.

The regular routine business was transacted, after which other matters were taken up.

The secretary read a communication from Messrs. William Goodman, W. J. Penny & Co., R. H. Beery, Sam. Bear, Sr., M. W. Divine & Co., L. W. Davis, E. Warren & Son, Leger Meyer, Sol. Bear, J. M. Solky and R. R. Bellamy, requesting the board to appoint a committee to go before the Board of Aldermen and demonstrate to that body the necessity of paving Market street, between Front and Water, "with more modern material than old time cobble stones." The matter was favorably discussed by Messrs. W. E. Worth, A. B. Skelding and R. W. Hicks, and a motion was offered by Mr. Worth authorizing the president to appoint a committee of five to go before the Board of Aldermen to urge the improvement of the street in accordance with the request of the petitioners. The motion was adopted, and the following were appointed as the committee: Messrs. Sol. Bear, A. G. Warren, R. R. Bellamy, L. W. Davis and William Goodman.

The matter complained of in the STAR yesterday as to the ruination of the young long leaf pines around the city by parties who are cutting out the tops to ship north for Christmas decorations was taken up. It was unanimously agreed that the topping of the trees would ruin the young forests but it was expressed as the opinion that the remedy lies in the hands of the owners of the trees, as they can prosecute the trespassers.

The benefit of the association to the business community was discussed, and the secretary was instructed to call on the wholesale merchants and others who are not members and inform them of the purposes of the association and solicit them to become members.

The Board then adjourned.

S. A. E. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Organized Last Night in the Parlors of The Orton—Delegates to the Convention.

The resident members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity met last night in the parlors of The Orton.

The meeting was called with a view to establishing an Alumni Association of this fraternity, and in accordance therewith the members formally organized and elected the following officers:

President—Eugene S. Martin.

First Vice President—Dr. J. C. Shepard.

Second Vice President—Wm. J. Bellamy.

Secretary and Treasurer—Jas. Stevenson.

Two delegates were appointed to attend and represent the association at the annual convention, which meets this year in Winston, N. C.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity is a college institution, ever since its organization unquestionably the leading Southern fraternity, and has recently, on account of its progressive works, attained a high rank both in members and quality through the North.

Among its prominent members are President Wm. McKinley, J. G. Carlisle, ex-secretary of the treasury; William L. Wilson, ex-postmaster general, and Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern Railway.

The following members were present last night: Eugene S. Martin, Dr. J. C. Shepard, William J. Bellamy, James Stevenson, E. A. Metts, John D. Bellamy, Jr., John D. Bellamy, Jr. Jr., R. H. Gwaltney, R. H. Bellamy, J. W. Brunson, Dr. F. H. Russell, Croswell Ragen, Marsden Bellamy, G. W. Brunson, Jr. Other resident members who are away are: W. R. Kenan, Jr., A. S. Williams, H. T. Sharp, T. M. Green, Gaston Myers, R. C. Bunting, Reston Stevenson, D. R. Williams.

Scarcity of Lumber.

A gentleman, who is thoroughly conversant with such matters, told a representative of the STAR yesterday that in view of the large foreign demand for lumber, just at present, it is at times very hard to secure a supply for use in the city from the local mills. Mill men, he said, found it much more satisfactory to ship their sawed stuff direct in large quantities than to cater to the small orders for spot delivery. One mill, he added, which has hitherto enjoyed a large city trade has practically closed its orders to city retail customers.

Myths of Greece and Rome.

The fact that "Myths of Greece and Rome" is under the management of Miss Cammie Lord and will benefit the Ladies' Benevolent Society is sufficient to insure its success. It will be an artistic triumph in every sense of the word. The entertainment will be given at the Opera House on Wednesday and Thursday, December 20th and 21st.

Are you aware that The C. W. Polvogt Co. handle toys, pictures and other fancy Xmas goods. Call and see them? †

Select your Doll Carriages and Go Carts at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

THE DIPHTHERIA SITUATION.

Danger of Epidemic Growing Less Each Day—No New Cases.

There was absolutely nothing new in the diphtheria and scarlet fever situation yesterday, so a STAR reporter was told by Dr. W. D. McMillan, Superintendent of Health, last evening. There were no new cases of either malady during the day, said Dr. McMillan, and no quarantines were raised. The excitement on the part of the public appears somewhat assuaged after action by the Board of Health, and, in fact, a number of physicians have expressed themselves as entertaining no fears of an epidemic.

The school committees, through personal effort and through their vigilant and painstaking chairmen, Mr. James F. Post, of District No. 1, and Mr. James H. Chadbourn, of District No. 2, are looking well after the interests of the school children in making such fumigations of the buildings as are deemed expedient, and exercising care as to sanitation, etc., in other respects.

There were no meetings of physicians or of the health board yesterday and the patients stricken with the contagion were reported as recovering very fast.

Attendance at some of the city schools was a little more short yesterday, but upon the whole there is no danger of a forced closing before the time appointed.

GOVERNMENT WHARF BUILDING.

Workmen Engaged in Building Warehouse—Algonquin Expected Soon.

Contractor John H. Howe has again resumed work on the government wharf improvement at the foot of Princess street, which has been much delayed on account of the scarcity of lumber. The wharf proper has been completed, and the work now is in building the wareroom at the northern extension of the wharf immediately at the south of the foot of Princess street, It will be 30x90 feet in size and will be constructed of the very best material. The floor will be elevated about two feet above the wharf level to guard against an overflow by high tides.

Capt. R. M. Clark, of the revenue cutter service, who has general supervision of the work, is expected to arrive Monday and remain until after completion of the job, at which time it is expected the cutter *Algonquin* will be here for duty along this coast.

Contractor Howe expects to experience no further trouble in securing an ample supply of material for prosecution of the work.

About Tom Miller.

Tom Miller. who left here for his health in November, 1898, and has since been sojourning in Norfolk, is anxious to return to Wilmington for a brief period in order to obey a summons of the Superior Court, in a civil case, and to settle up his business affairs. This we learn from a letter received from him last Tuesday. In reference to his return he says: "I feel delicate in so doing without permission of the people." It might be necessary to hold a primary in order to ascertain the sentiment of the people as to Tom's return; but if he has been summoned to appear before the Superior Court, comes in "light marching order," and closes up his affairs with "neatness and despatch," it is not likely that he will be interfered with. In Tom's case, however, the climate of Norfolk will be found much more salubrious, than that of Wilmington for a permanent residence.

Prisoner Escaped.

Willie Williams, colored, serving a twenty days' term in the city prison for an assault upon a colored woman at corner Fourth and Campbell streets Tuesday morning, made his escape yesterday afternoon and left the city. He was sent up in the court room to wash the windows of the building, and when granted permission to go below for a drink of water he took to his heels. Policeman Woebse went out soon after the escape in search of Williams, but he was not apprehended. The negro was convicted at yesterday morning's session of the court, and besides these charges there were others before magistrates' courts for minor offences.

Christmas Mails.

Assistant Postmaster T. E. Wallace says that already the amount of mail handled through the Wilmington postoffice is being increased by reason of the Xmas holidays, when mail order shipping and other additional correspondence incident to the occasion contribute to make the life of the ordinary postal clerk far from a desirable one. The rush of mail will be on the increase, postal clerks old in the service say, from now until Christmas week, when a climax will be reached with hundreds of packages, bundles and letters from friends to friends during this season of gift giving.

Appointed Deputy Grand Chancellor.

At the meeting of Jefferson Lodge No. 61, K. of P., Col. W. J. Woodward, Grand Chancellor of the State, appointed Past Chancellor J. H. Taylor, Jr., as Deputy Grand Chancellor for the lodge, to fill the unexpired term of Deputy Grand Chancellor H. E. Gibbons, who resigned on account of his absence from the city. This appointment is quite a handsome testimonial to Past Chancellor Taylor and he was the recipient of many congratulations from his lodgemen.

Spend your cash during the holidays at The C. W. Polvogt Co., the largest and most select stock in the city. †

OBSEQUIES OF MR. GILES.

Impressive Services Yesterday Morning at St. James' Church, Attended by An Immense Throng of People.

Services for the burial of the dead were said at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning at St. James Episcopal church over the remains of the lamented Mr. Norwood Giles, who departed this life on Monday forenoon. The Rev. Dr. Strange and the Rev. Dr. Carmichael conducted the services and the church was crowded with people, attesting the high regard of the community for the deceased. Among those in attendance was Cape Fear Camp No. 254, United Confederate Veterans, of which the deceased was a member. The veterans were present in a body and most of them wore their Confederate uniform. Colonel F. W. Kerchner acted as commander.

The services were solemn and impressive. Mr. E. H. Munson was organist and the choir was composed of Miss Lola Martin, Miss Elizabeth Waddell, Mr. A. S. Holden, and Mr. J. Van B. Metts. The following hymns were very tenderly sung: "Art Thou Weary;" "Art Thou Languid, Art Thou Sore Distressed," and "Asleep in Jesus." While the latter hymn was being sung the Confederate Veterans marched out of the church, followed by the casket.

The remains were borne to Oakdale cemetery by a great cortege and were sorrowfully deposited in the grave. The grave was covered with numerous and very handsome floral designs.

The pall bearers were as follows:

Honorary—Dr. Wm. J. Love, Capt. James I. Metts, and Messrs. H. Walters, William Calder, James Sprunt and Gabriel Holmes.

Active—Messrs, Fred Kidder, F. A. Lord, T. Wright Meares, L. S. Belden, M. S. Willard, W. A. Wright, Don MacRae, and George R. French.

Funeral Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of little Miss Eugenia Fore, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fore, of Charlotte, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the First Presbyterian Church in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives of the deceased and her sorrowing parents. The remains arrived here over the Seaboard Air Line yesterday at noon and were carried to the residence of Col. Roger Moore on Chesnut street, from whence they were taken to the church and afterwards to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment was made. In the funeral party besides the bereaved parents were Messrs. Charles and Augustus Fore, brother of Mr. J. A. Fore, and Rev. Dr. R. J. Howerton, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, which the deceased had joined only a little while before her death.

The pall bearers at the funeral were: Messrs. Edwin Moore, Dewitt Schonwald, Robert E. Van Lear, Charlie Wilkinson, Archie Bulluck and James Lynch.

Fadettes Woman's Orchestra.

Mr. John Frank, chairman of the Star Course of entertainments of the Y. M. C. A., received last night the following telegram from Mr. Jno. H. Marshall, city editor of the *News and Courier*, relative to the Fadettes Woman's Orchestra, which appears in the auditorium under the auspices of the Star Course this evening:

"The Fadettes Woman's Orchestra appeared before a large and fashionable audience at the Thomson auditorium here to-night. They rendered an elaborate programme in a very acceptable manner."

Since the opening of the box sheet yesterday morning at 9 o'clock 324 seats have been reserved, and the indications point to a very successful entertainment.

Eastern Insane Asylum.

Dr. D. W. Bulluck, a member of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Insane Asylum, for colored patients, at Goldsboro, returned last night from that city where he attended the annual meeting of the board yesterday.

The board re-elected Dr. J. F. Miller, the able superintendent who has so admirably managed the asylum for many years. The other officers were also re elected.

Dr. Bulluck states that the affairs of the institution are in excellent shape, and that the death rate the past year has been remarkably small. This speaks well for the management of the asylum.

Carolina and Northern Railroad.

A gentleman who was in the city from Lumberton yesterday says that the Carolina and Northern railroad, being built from Lumberton to Marion, S. C., is beginning to assume a "railroad appearance" quite rapidly now. A locomotive and twelve carloads of the regulation rail, in addition to a supply already on hand have arrived and several miles have already been laid. Mr. Augustus Meiller, the Philadelphia capitalist, who is back of the project, makes frequent visits to the work and speaks encouragingly of the prospects.

Importation of Jewelry.

There was received at the custom house yesterday an importation of jewelry and articles of vertu from Flearey, of Paris. The goods came in bond through New York, and among the articles were many of curious design and workmanship.

Dolls, Drums, Carriages, Tool Chests are among the holiday goods at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

The Polvogt Co. have the largest assortment of useful Xmas presents in the city. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. S. A. Schloss has gone to New York on a business trip.

— Mr. R. O. Crisp, of Elizabeth City, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. H. French, of Rocky Mount, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. W. Weeks, of Southport, was on our streets yesterday.

— Mr. H. B. Short, of Lake Waccamaw, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. Geo. W. Taylor, of Jacksonville, called on the jobbers yesterday.

— Mr. C. C. Corbett, of Ivanhoe, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. and Mrs. D. Gurganus, of Rocky Point, visited the city yesterday.

— Mr. George Miller, of Faison, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Mr. G. H. Cox, of Winston, was among last evening's arrivals at The Orton.

— Mr. J. H. Orem, of Baltimore, arrived in the city last night and is a guest of The Orton.

— Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin, of White Oak, visited the city yesterday on a shopping tour.

— Mr. T. W. Andrews, of Charlotte, came to town yesterday and is a guest of The Orton.

— Messrs. T. H. Gregory and W. O. Thompson, of Lumberton, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. E. C. Herring, of Garland, was in the city yesterday on one of his periodical business trips.

— Mr. F. R. Corbett, a prominent merchant of Kerr, Sampson county, is here buying his Christmas stock.

— Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, came down to the city yesterday for the first time since he was hurt at his home.

— Mr. W. J. Balkcum, of Waycross, Sampson county was here yesterday and made the STAR office a very pleasant call.

— Mrs. Ada Fields, of Kinston, arrived in the city last evening on a visit to her brother, Mr. J. M. Wood, 412 North Front street.

— Messrs. R. J. Hester and Geo. F. Melvin, of Elizabethtown, were in the city yesterday, purchasing goods of the wholesale people.

— Mrs. C. A. Muller left yesterday afternoon via the Seaboard Air Line to spend the holidays with her parents at Fruitdale, Alabama.

— Dr. L. L. Pollock, of Boston, Mass., is spending a few days at The Orton, en route to Florida for his health. His wife came with him, but went on to Florida.

— Col. and Mrs. Roger Moore got back last night from Washington, N. C., where they attended the annual session of the North Carolina Conference, M. E. Church, South, last week.

— Mr. Charles Elliott, of Fayetteville, has accepted a position as pharmacist with Mr. J. Hicks Bunting. Mr. R. C. Howard, whom Mr. Elliott succeeds, has gone to Fayetteville to accept a position in the drug store of Capt. N. E. Bunting.

— Mr. P. S. Cooper, of Mullins, S. C., a member of the new wholesale grocery house, the Cooper & Cooper Company, recently established in this city, arrived here yesterday and will now become a citizen of Wilmington. He is a brother of our townsman, Mr. W. B. Cooper.

Jewett-Carpenter.

Mr. Stephen Jewett and Miss Isabel R. Carpenter, daughter of Mr. Alfred Carpenter, all of this city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony yesterday evening at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride's father, 405 North Third street. The Rev. Dr. Carmichael, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, officiated, and only the family and a few immediate friends were in attendance. After the marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Jewett left on the Atlantic Coast Line train last night for a Northern tour, to be gone about ten days.

Mr. Jewett is secretary and treasurer of the J. C. Stevenson Company, of this city, and his bride is one of Wilmington's most estimable young ladies.

Commandery Election.

At the regular conclave of Plantagenet Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar, the following officers were elected for the year 1900:

Eminent Commander—W. H. Chadbourn.
Generalissimo—R. W. Price.
Captain General—Eric Norden.
Prelate—James F. Post.
Senior Warden—J. W. Jackson.
Junior Warden—E. P. Bailey.
Treasurer—James C. Munds.
Recorder—H. G. Smallbones.

The above officers will be installed on the first meeting night in January.

Sharpie Sunk.

During the storm Monday night or early Tuesday morning a small two-masted sharpie belonging to Mr. J. L. Winner, of Carolina Beach, was sunk in the bight just this side of the "Dram Tree." She is listed considerably, as will be seen from the masts and the part of the bow visible. The crew was not lost, but had a very tough experience.

Useful Xmas presents, such as Kid Gloves, Lace Ties, Neckwear, &c., &c., at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

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ANOTHER DERELICT PURCHASED.

Capts. Skinner and St. George Secured Emma L. Cottingham Off Florida Coast.

Capt. S. W. Skinner and Capt. Willie St. George, who are now on Georgie's Island off Carabelle, Florida coast, for the purpose of raising the three stranded vessels there, the purchase of which was recently noted in the STAR with their contracts for raising a fourth vessel at the same place, have written Capt. S. F. Craig, of the Cape Fear Towing and Transportation Company, that all arrangements are now perfected to begin the work of launching the derelicts. They found upon arriving there that mud scows would have to be constructed and the work has been delayed on this account.

Capt. Craig says that since going to Carabelle they have purchased the derelict schooner *Emma L. Cottingham*, of 475 tons burthen, which was stranded at Apalachicola, near the location of the other derelicts.

The *Maritime Register* of the current week contains an account of the sale at auction November 27th. She brought $420.

Government Steamers.

The United States oil steamer *America*, which is supplying the various lighting stations along this coast, passed up from Southport at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, and arrived in port for supplies. The buoy tender *Wisteria* is also in these waters looking after her duties in the river and along the Cape Fear coast. She is expected in port also to-day. She was anchored off the bar at Southport yesterday at noon.

The Fadette Woman's Orchestra, of Boston, which has been secured as the second attraction of the Star Course, will appear in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium at 8 30 next Thursday evening. Reserved seats $1.00. Box sheet opens at the secretary's office at 9 A. M. Wednesday. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT. One of the most desirable stores in the city, now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company,

will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 14.

COTTON AS A WEALTH PRODUCER.

The South is the great cotton grower of the world, but she has grown cotton not to enrich herself but other sections of this and of other countries. When it was grown with slave labor, there was some profit in it because the crop was then not more than a third as large as it is now, the labor cost nothing but the food and clothing of the laborers, and in those days as a general thing the cotton-growers raised their home supplies so that the slaves were cheaply kept. They raised what fed them, and the stuff that clothed them. In addition to this cotton commanded a better price than it has since the crop has begun to increase so largely. It was a paying crop then, but it has not been since, and it is at least doubtful whether, including all the crops grown since the war, the growers have not actually lost money on the cotton they grew.

But a great deal of money has been made out of cotton by others besides the growers. Everybody that handled it after it left the plantation made something out of it, some a great deal and some became wealthy out of it. It has been the foundation of the wealth of the cotton manufacturing centers of the North, and of the cotton manufacturing districts of England. We are doing better now since cotton-manufacturing is becoming one of our industries and will continue to do better as the factories increase in number, and we convert the profitless lint into profit-making fabrics.

The fine showing made by the mills already established in the South has centered attention on the cotton mill and as a result there are now movements for the establishment of mills in States where they were little thought of, if thought of at all, a few years ago. There is a lively agitation of the subject in Texas and Louisiana, and the business men of New Orleans are taking an active part in it. At a recent meeting of the Press Club the subject was discussed and some interesting facts and figures produced, which the *Picayune* sums up thus:

"It was shown that a crop of cotton which required 2,800,000 laborers to grow and get ready for market brought $246 000,000, or a wage of $90 to each hand for a year's work. This cotton was spun and woven by 1,000,000 persons, who got an average each of $500 for a year's work. The result was that only $246,000,000 was received for the sale of the raw cotton, while more than double that amount was paid to the labor that spun and wove the cotton, and that spinning and weaving were done outside the States where the cotton was grown.

Now, if that cotton were spun and woven in the cotton States, not only would $246,000,000 paid to the producers of the raw staple have remained in the Southern States, but $500,000,000 more, paid for manufacturing outside those States, and also have remained to enrich the Southern people who would have received as their return for a single crop of cotton the enormous sum of $746,000,000.

"According to Mr. H. H. Hargrove, one of the speakers, who had travelled extensively and investigated the cotton industry in New England, which is the richest part of the Republic, its wealth having been made almost wholly from cotton manufacturing, the cotton States enjoy the greatest advantages for this industry, and what are required are the requisite energy and enterprise to start and carry on the development of Southern cotton mills.

"The following illustrations, presented by Mr. Hargrove, from official data, are pregnant with interest:

"Massachusetts is one-sixth the size of Louisiana, and yet it sustains thirty-two cities, and in wealth, per capita and per acre, it is the richest of the United States, having a tax wealth greater than Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and the two Carolinas, There are six counties which are richer than Mississippi, and four which are richer than Louisiana, and one of these (Middlesex) has $150,000,000 greater wealth is the result of manufacturing during the last forty years.

"Massachusetts has 40 per cent. of the American spindles. Rhode Island is about the size of an average parish of Louisiana, and yet it has $67,000,000 banking capital, or more than 10 per cent. of the national banking capital of the United States. Providence has 175,000 population and $38,000,000 in saving bank deposits. Forty years ago Massachusetts and Rhode Island were poor.

'By adopting means within their reach, the Southern people can surely accomplish like results."

These are interesting facts and figures, not only for the people of Louisiana but of every cotton-producing State, for they apply to one as much as to another. They are not altogether new for much has been published showing the difference in the value of the raw and manufactured cotton, some very striking and valuable papers on that subject having been furnished by Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, who has made a thorough study of it.

But there is a striking object lesson in the contrast between the wealth of some of the Southern States and and some of the manufacturing sections of the East, whose wealth has been accumulated mainly if not entirely from cotton manufacturing. When those Eastern sections began the manufacture of cotton they were no better fixed for it than the South is now. They were poor, had to husband their resources and begin in a small way. The profits of one mill built others, and as the industry grew it became a tempting field for capitalists and money flowed into it. The places which started with little besides their water powers and the thrift and energy of the people grew into cotton manufacturing centers, the mills attracted other industries, people flocked to them and they became both populous and wealthy. There are more people to the square mile in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and probably more wealth, too, than in any other States in the Union, and it was mainly the cotton, in cultivating which the planter made nothing, which did it. One cotton mill produces another, these produce others, and these invite and create other industries, attracting more capital, giving employment to thousands of people, creating and distributing wealth. We have some illustrations of this in the South, and Charlotte, in our own State, furnishes us a striking one.

What New England people have done the Southern people can surely do, for they have shown what they can do in the successful establishment and operation and the multiplication of mills, every one of which has added to the wealth of the community in which it is located and all together adding very largely to the wealth of the South. When the South manufactures the cotton she grows it will not only multiply her wealth but make her in reality the cotton mistress of the world, and then the question of price and acreage will be solved.

SOME PERTINENT INQUIRIES.

The resolution introduced by Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, Tuesday, directing the Navy Department to transmit to the Senate any papers in its possession bearing upon the alleged recognition of the Filipinos as our allies before the cession of the Philippines to this country by Spain presents some pertinent inquiries. There is evidence enough, unless there has been a large amount of falsifying done, that up to a certain date they were so recognized by the commander of our naval squadron, by the commander of our army, and by our consuls in that part of the world. This fact has been at least practically admitted by the Washington authorities, who shirked the responsibilities by saying that anything of that kind that had been done was done on the responsibility of the individuals, without authority from the Government. In law if the Government were a corporation or an individual that plea would not hold good, for the principal is held responsible for the official acts of his recognized agent or representative.

Mr. McKinley has done a good deal of dodging and special pleading to evade the responsibility of recognizing the Filipinos as our allies, and has done it to such an extent as to disgust some of the expansion organs which prefer candor and honesty to duplicity and hypocrisy. One of these is the Boston *Herald*, which thus comments on Mr. McKinley's special pleading and punctures the bladder inflated with duplicity. It says:

"That he (Aguinaldo) believed, and that, everything considered, he had a right to believe, that we were assisting the Filipinos for the purpose of enabling them to win their freedom, is too evident to admit of honest denial, and on the ground of good faith, whether we said so or not, the arrangements for co operation were entered into with that tacit understanding on both sides. Following this for months after May 1, 1898, there was a recognition given to Aguinaldo, not as a bandit or a leader of an insurgent faction, but as a representative of an oppressed people trying to throw off the Spanish yoke, a recognition which warranted him in assuming that we had no motives beyond the wish to punish the Spanish and to give the Filipinos a chance to regain their freedom."

These are all facts well known to the reading public, and they were well known to the Washington authorities, who tacitly permitted and approved of the action of our representatives, and now try to shirk the legal responsibility by saying that it was done without authority. If there had been no understanding between the Filipinos and our representatives by which the Filipinos were led to believe that their independence would be the result of the overthrow of the Spaniards, there would have been no co-operation between them and our army and navy. That specific pledges were not given in writing doesn't matter. The understanding was had with the intention of being kept, or it was had with the intention of being violated. If the former we are bound by it, if the latter we are disgraced.

It is to get at the facts that Senator Pettigrew's resolution was introduced; but the probabilities are that when it gets into the Navy Department it will be pigeonholed, and the answer sent back that it will not be compatible with public interest to furnish the called for information. A refusal, however, will be equivalent to a confession.

SENATOR PRITCHARD'S RESOLUTION.

All sorts of resolutions are introduced in Congress, some of which are about as much out of place there as they would be in a church conference. Congress has as little to do with them as a church conference would have. It is a cheap way that some members have of getting themselves before the public. The resolution introduced in the Senate by Senator Pritchard, declaring the proposed constitutional amendment in this State unconstitutional, is of this class, and might with as much propriety have been introduced at a meeting of the city council in the city of Asheville, N. C., or of Duluth, by the "unsalted sea." The Senate of the United States has nothing to do with it.

If the original amendments, which Senator Pritchard says this proposed amendment will nullify, were before the Senate for discussion then the question of *their* constitutionality might be discussed, but for the Senate to undertake to discuss and pass upon the constitutionality of an act which is not yet in existence, and in a sovereign State, is simply an absurdity. The tribunals to decide the constitutionality or the unconstitutionality of such measures, are the courts which were established to interpret and pass upon laws concerning which there may be difference of opinion. Congress is not a competent judge of constitutional questions, for acts of Congress have been set aside by the courts because they were unconstitutional. Senator Pritchard knows this and he knows that the Senate of the United States has no jurisdiction in the matter he has brought before it, but his object doubtless is to get, if he can, an affirmative vote, which he can use in the campaign in this State.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Salisbury *Sun*: We learn that the five-year old son of ex-Chief of Police Bradford, of Winston, who, with his family, is now living in High Point, died Sunday from eating a piece of candy that he picked up on the street. Soon after eating the candy he was seized with convulsions and died in agony.

— Winston *Sentinel*: Dee Denny, a white man, was stabbed four times in the back near Fairview Saturday night. While his wounds are painful, it is thought he will recover. He was brought to the police station, where the wounds were dressed by Dr. Bynum. Jess and Bob Ford are charged with being the parties who did the cutting. The officers found bloody knives on them when they arrested them.

— Raleigh *Post*: Mr. A. E. Bobbitt, one of Granville's most prominent citizens, struck and killed M. R. Ross Monday morning with a stick on the back of the head. Ross attacked Bobbitt with stones. The killing was in self defence. Ross was a tenant of Bobbitt's in 1898. The cause of the trouble is not known. Both of the parties' home is at Wilton, about ten miles from Oxford.

— Statesville *Landmark*: Iredell county is to have another cotton mill. The citizens of Mooresville have been working quietly on another mill for some time, and they now have enough subscribed to make it a certainty. The company has not yet been organized, but 562 shares of stock have been subscribed for, and it is the intention of the promoters to go ahead at once and build the mill. All of this stock has been subscribed by the citizens of Mooresville and vicinity except forty shares, or $4,000 worth. It is desired to increase the capital stock of the mill to something like $75,000, and there is no question but that the full amount desired will be secured.

— Charlotte *News*: Charlotte was right in the midst of the storm center Monday night. The wind reached a velocity of 36 miles an hour and the rain fell in torrents. The storm was brewing early in the evening and by 10 o'clock it had reached its height. It continued until the midnight hour when the fall of rain began. All the creeks near Charlotte were filled to overflowing.— Mr. Archie Roberson, of near Shopton, has made a record as a good shot, although he has but one arm, having lost his right arm by an accident. Mr. Roberson was down at the old Neal mill place when he saw a drove of ducts on the river. He got his gun and bagged eight ducks at four shots, this making him a name as a crack one-armed shot.

— Wilkesboro *Journal*: About 28 years ago James G. McGlamery and America Nicholls went to South Carolina and were married. In that state a certificate of marriage is given by the one performing the ceremony certifying the couple as man as wife. It is the duty of the man to have the certificate registered, which is the only state record of his marriage. The man failed to have his certificate of marriage registered, until one day his house and contents with the certificate were burned. Then McGlamery and wife came back to Wilkes and settled near Millers Creek, where they have lived ever since. Of late some of his neighbors threatened to indict them for living in adultery. Last week McGlammery came and got license and was married the second time to the same woman. They had lived together as husband and wife for twenty-eight years, and they have several children and some of them are married.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

—— In reducing the price of window glass in order to punish independent manufacturers the American Window Glass Trust has adopted the method usually employed for the chastisement of recalcitrants. The object is to drive the outside firms into the Trust or to make their business unprofitable. A Trust reduces prices for no other purpose.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Hon. J. M. Moody, a prominent republican, of Waynesville, states that Bellamy will be unseated and a new election ordered in the sixth district. And this in the face of the six thousand majority cast for Bellamy over Dockery. We'll admit that it was an unmerciful beating, but it was not Bellamy's fault. If nearly all the people in the sixth district preferred him to Dockery, indeed, if the last mother's son of them had voted for Bellamy, we see no reason why he shouldn't be entitled to his seat.—*Greensboro Telegram, Dem.*

—— The story comes from Manila that the Spaniards who surrendered to the Americans in Subig Bay as late as in July, 1898, were "handed over to the insurgents" by order of Admiral Dewey himself. If the report be true, the Admiral and the Administration will have a bad quarter of an hour or so in trying to explain the incident so as to divest it of its significance. On its face it goes to show that the Admiral regarded the insurgents very much in the light of independent "allies" at the time of the incident. *Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, M. P., St. Mark's, Roxobel.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, E. P., Grace Church, Woodville.

December 21st, Thursday Fest, St. Thomas, St. Thomas', Windsor.

December 24th, Sunday, fourth in Advent, M. P., Advent, Williamston.

December 25th, Christmas, Grace, Plymouth.

December 31st, Sunday after Christmas, St. Thomas', Atkinson.

Holy communion at all morning services.

The children catechised when practicable.

The vestries will pleased be prepared to meet the bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions.

TWINKLINGS.

— "Rather than yield one cent to the fuel trust," he hissed, "I will perish of cold." "But the undertakers' trust!" faltered his wife, who had been shivering silently in the corner."—*Detroit Journal.*

— Hospital Physician (with a view to diagnosis)—"What do you drink?" New Patient (cheering up at the proposal)—"Oh, sir!—thank you, sir—whatever you—I leave that to you, sir."—*London Punch.*

— Ida—"Have you ever met these imported lords, with their one big glass stuck in their eye?" May—"Often. But those I met didn't have the big glass stuck in their eye; they had it stuck in their shirt bosom."

— "Tommy," said a mother to her four-year old hopeful, "don't you think it rather extravagant to eat butter with your jam?" "Of course not, mamma," replied the little diplomat. "You see, one piece of bread does for both."

— Immune—"Look out for that live wire!" shouted the workman on the roof. His assistant looked at him calmly and said: "Don't you worry. I've been to see every French farce that came to town. A little thing like a live wire couldn't shock me."—*Washington Star.*

— "I suppose you have met with some reverses in your political career?" said the friend. "Don't try to be fancy," said Senator Sorghum. "Don't try to select fine words to express an ordinary idea. Don't say 'met with reverses.' Just say 'got turned down.'"

—A Modern Columbus—"Wow!" exclaimed the young man, as he hastily withdrew his arm from its resting place. "Why, George," asked his fiancee, "what in the world is the matter?" "I have just made two important discoveries," replied George. "One is that you have a wasp-like waist, and the other is where the pins —or at least some of them—go to."

Prevented A Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitaville, Ohio, prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all throat, chest and lung troubles. Only 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

— "Your narrative is too highly colored" remarked the editor, returning the hulky manuscript. "In what way?" inquired the disappointed author. "Why," replied the editor, "in the very first chapter you make the old man turn purple with rage, the villain turn green with envy, the hero turn white with anger, the heroine turn red with blushes and the coachman turn blue with cold!"—*Puck.*

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worse form of slavery. George D. Williams of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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A GENIUS.

A Scholar and a Ne'er Do Well.

He came in answer to a jesting paragraph of my colleague "Picaroon," seeking employment, a tall, straight man, with hair slightly grizzled and a stiffness in one leg. His clothes were shabby and had apparently been made for a smaller man, for his waistcoat and trousers refused to meet, and round his waist was wound a red bandanna handkerchief.

He apologized for this irregularity on the ground that the possession of only one shirt rendered it difficult for his laundry woman to get to work as frequently as was desirable.

But his collar was irreproachable, his mustache was waxed, and, amid the wreck of his fortunes, he had clung to his eyeglass, which he screwed into his right eye at intervals.

From the waist upward he looked like a retired colonel. From the waist downward he presented the appearance of a sandwich man. But as the head is of more import than the feet I concluded that he was a gentleman and offered him a cigarette and a drink.

He accepted the cigarette and smoked it with somewhat feverish haste. As for drink, he would take a lemonade.

"It is better to drink nothing stronger when one is looking for work," he explained; "it may prejudice possible employers."

"How long have you been looking for work?" I asked.

"Three years," he replied. "I have answered hundreds of advertisements, pawned my clothes to pay the postage and worn out my shoes tramping the city. But I keep pegging away, and it will soon end. It is a sort of—penance," he added, reflectively contemplating the ash of his cigarette.

"What are you?" I asked.

"A failure—at present," he replied, with a quiet laugh. "But I have been most things."

"Tell me."

"First I was a medical student; then I ran away and enlisted. After that I got a place as medical officer on an American ship.

"On the west coast of Africa I caught yellow fever, was deserted by my comrades and had to walk 300 miles before I picked up another ship.

"After that I went to Paris, completed my medical studies and took my degree of bachelor of science.

"Since that I have done everything you can think of. I have invented a face powder that was advertised in all the papers and brought me in £20 a week until my business partner bolted with the secret and the cash.

"I have been an artist; a showman's agent, assistant editor of a scientific paper which died, as it were, in my arms. I have been in nearly every country of the world and know French, Italian and Spanish, as well as English, not to speak of Greek and Latin."

"Why not put your experience into a book?"

"Ah! Do you remember an article in The Pall Mall Gazette some years ago on 'The Real "She?"'"

"I remember it very well."

"I wrote that. For I had come across Obeah women in Africa who were every bit as wonderful as Rider Haggard's She. Only Rider Haggard, in deference to European taste, had made his heroine a beautiful white woman instead of a hideous black beldame. I wrote that at the request of Mr. Stead, and immediately a prominent firm of publishers offered me £50 down and a royalty for a book of adventure on the lines of 'She.' Here is the letter."

He handed me the letter.

"And you wrote the book?"

"No. My health broke down, and I had to go into a hospital. I had had nothing to eat for five days, and it nearly finished me. When I came out and went to the publishers, I was too late."

"And where are you living now?"

"At a sort of —— mission, in Whitechapel. I have a cubicle all to myself and pay sixpence a night"—

"A dosshouse, in fact?"

"Some call it that. But there are better men than myself there. They have services, and so forth, but I take no notice of them. The curate is a good fellow, but an ignorant man. Would you believe it?"— he dropped his eyeglass and turned with flashing eyes on me—"he cannot perceive the difference between Greek aorist and the Greek perfect!"

"Is it important—in view of?"—

"Important, sir? See here!" and he drew from his pocket a worn copy of the revised version of the New Testament and laid it before me. Passage after passage was scored and corrected. On the margin and at the foot of the columns were noted the MSS. from which the corrections had been made. "It is my version of the revised version. I tell you the revisers knew no English and very little Greek. It has taken me years to complete, but it will be ready in a few weeks now."

"But how did you get hold of the MSS. of the gospels?"

"I have copies of many of them in my locker at the—at home. The rest I find at the British museum in my spare time —and I have had a lot of spare time in the past three years."

My friend puffed at a fresh cigarette while I reflected on the incongruity of a Greek scholar in a dosshouse.

"Why is it?" I asked, "that a man of education, experience and capacity can't get work when he wants it?"

"I know no one," he replied. "I suppose I am the most friendless man in London."

"But a man of your knowledge, who doesn't drink, who"—

He turned suddenly on me and looked me in the eyes.

"Ah, that's it!" he said. "I ought to tell you that. Some years ago I married —unfortunately. It was not her fault—and she's dead now. But I had trouble. And I drank. I don't do things by halves, and I was drunk all the time for two years. Now it is three years since I touched anything stronger than claret—and the man who lives where I live can't often afford even claret. Well, well—three years of penance should atone for it, shouldn't it? I shall get some work before I'm too old to do it."

Then he rose and went out, with his erect figure and stiff gait, with his eyeglass and absurd clothes, back to his dosshouse to revise the Bible.—Exchange.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Wilmington District, R. F. Bumpass, P. E, Wilmington, N. C.

Wilmington, Bladen street, 11 A. M., Dec. 17.

Wilmington, Market street, 8 night, Dec. 17.

Wilmington, Fifth street, Dec. 24.

Southport, Dec. 30, 31.

Burgaw, Burgaw Creek, Jan. 9. 7.

Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Jan. 13, 14.

Magnolia, Magnolia, Jan. 20, 21.

Jacksonville and Richlands, Jacksonville, Jan. 27, 28.

Carvers Creek, Waymans, Feb. 3, 4.

Scott's Hill, Prospect, Feb. 7.

Wilmington, Grace, Feb. 11, 12.

Bladen, Center, Feb. 17, 18.

Clinton, Johnson's, Feb. 24, 25.

Kennansville, Kennansville, March 3, 4.

Waccamaw, Betherda, March 9.

Whiteville, Whiteville, March 10, 11.

Zion, Zion, March 14.

Atlantic, Concord, March 16.

Onslow, Bethlehem, March 18, 19.

— Little Dick—"Uncle Richard, what is bric-a-brac?" Uncle Richard—"Bric-a-brac is anything you knock over and break when you are feeling for matches in the dark."—*Puck.*

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HORSE SHOW AT PARIS FAIR.

International Exhibition to Be Held In September, 1900.

One of the most attractive features of the Paris exposition of 1900 will be the international horse show, which, according to the programme issued by the French authorities, will open on Sunday, Sept. 2, 1900, and close on Monday, Sept. 10, following. The prize list is a liberal one, the amount of added money being $110,000, in addition to a number of medals, and as there are many classes for foreign breeds it is expected that a large entry will be obtained from the United States and England.

The show is to be divided into seven sections, says the New York Sun, the first being for thoroughbreds, pure bred Arabs and Anglo-Arabs, with over $12,000 in prizes, the first prize for thoroughbred stallions being $1,200 and that for thoroughbred mares $800. The second section is for barbs, the third for trotters of French, American and Russian breeds; the fourth for half breeds, including classes for the English hackney and Cleveland; the fifth for ponies, the sixth for cart horses and the seventh for donkeys. There will also be a number of champion prizes, those for thoroughbreds being $1,200 and $750 in value, and the show will be confined to stallions and brood mares, the date of entry being June 1, 1900.

Officers of the United States commission at the New York offices say that full particulars can be obtained by addressing the director of agriculture of the Paris exposition at Paris.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	6½	6¾
Standard	16¼	6¾
Burlaps	5	15½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12½	15
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔		6
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔		6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 15	1 20
New New York, each		1 35
New City, each		1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		25
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	7 00
Northern	9 00	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	21	22½
Northern	27	30
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	46	47½
Virginia Meal		47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		1 10
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18	25
Adamantine	8	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	16	18
Dairy Cream		18
State	14	15
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	12½	15
Rio	7	10
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		70
EGGS—℔ dozen	18	20
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	10
Extra	4 25	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade		3 00
Choice		3 50
Straight	3 75	3 90
First Patent	4 25	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	12½	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White		50
Oats, from store	38	40
Oats, Rust Proof		45
Cow Peas	60	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green salted		6½
Dry flint	10	12½
Dry salt		9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s	85	90
Clover Hay	40	50
Rice Straw	80	85
Eastern	80	85
Western	80	85
North River	3½	4
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	6	6½
North Carolina	8	10
LIME ℔ barrel	1 15	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	15 00
Common mill	5 00	6 50
Fair mill	7 00	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead		25
Barbadoes, in barrels		28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 50	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	10 00	10 50
Rump		9 50
Prime		9 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		1 25
Liverpool	90	95
American	85	90
In 125 ℔ Sacks		60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	6 50
Common	1 60	2 25
Cypress Sage	2 50	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¼	5¼
Standard A	4¾	5
White Extra C		4¾
Extra C, Golden		4¼
C, Yellow		4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 50	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50	7 00
Common Mill	5 00	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50	5 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	8 50
" Sap	5 00	6 50
5x20 Heart	3 00	3 50
" Sap	2 00	2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	6 50
" Sap	5 00	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	00
WOOL per ℔—Unwashed	14	15

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 14, 1899.

STEAMSHIPS.

Aquila (Nor), 1,407 tons, Andersen, Heide & Co.

Astrea (Br), 2,110 tons, Barry, Brackenburg, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Ormesby (Br), 1,828 tons, Robinson, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Haslingden (Br), 1,220 tons, Higgins, E Peschau & Co.

SCHOONERS.

Alma, 152 tons, Small, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Charlotte W Miller, 248 tons, Higbee, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Antonio (Itl), 499 tons, Cafiero, Heide & Co.

Johannee (Nor), 473 tons, Thorsen, H K Nash, for Paterson, Downing & Co.

BRIGS.

Caroline Gray, 311 tons, Meader, George Harriss, Son & Co.

M C Haskell, 277 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—507 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 23 barrels rosin, 42 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—706 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 86 barrels rosin, 171 barrels tar, 23 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—210 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 175 barrels rosin, 63 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—60 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 14 barrels rosin.

C. C. Railroad—29 bales cotton.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—3 bales cotton, 20 casks spirits turpentine, 210 barrels rosin, 103 barrels tar, 24 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—Cotton, 1,535 bales; spirits turpentine, 36 casks; rosin, 508 barrels; tar, 379 barrels; crude turpentine, 24 barrels.

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WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 48 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 47½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.10 per barrel for strained and $1.15 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.50 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37@36½c; rosin firm at 97½@$1.02½; tar firm at $1.10; crude turpentine firm at $1.30 @$2.00, $2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	36
Rosin	508
Tar	379
Crude turpentine	24

Receipts same day last year.—29 casks spirits turpentine, 474 bbls rosin, 214 bbls tar, — bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13 16 cts. ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 3-16 " "
Low middling	6 13-16 " "
Middling	7¼ " "
Good middling	7⅝ " "

Same day last year middling 5¼c.

Receipts—1,525 bales; same day last year, 1,580.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 85c. Extra prime, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, $1.05. Virginia—Prime 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm, 52 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to $5.00, seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

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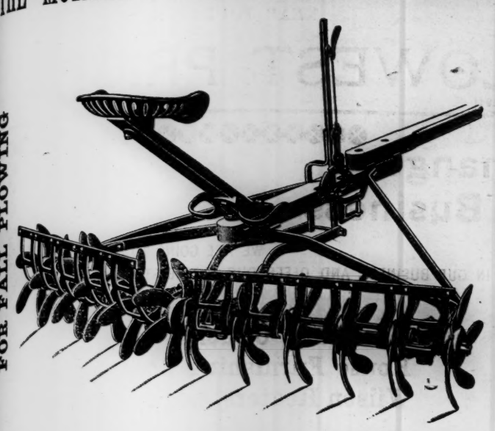

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Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:50 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A.M., Hamlet 7:45 A. M., Sanford 10:4 A. M., Raleigh 11:03 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:30 P. M.

Train 35—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 . M., Richmond 8:20 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 . M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:13 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:05 A. M., Atlanta 3:30 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 9:32 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Rutherfordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:20 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 8:20 P. M. Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:19 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M. Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 36—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 8:30 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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STATEMENT OF
Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON. N. C.

At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 858,971.54
Overdrafts	8.79
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,600.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's $ 79,160.28	
Due from other banks	169,160.99
Cash on hand	79,331.51—327,652.78
Total	$1,292,233.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	101,784.40
Circulation	41,040.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	$ 50,000.00
Deposits from banks	207,593.55
Deposits from individuals	731,715.16
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00—1,021,408.71
Total	$1,292,233.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec. 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,021,000
Surplus and net profit	76,300	87,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.
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"Wouldn't what?"

"The fact that they had inclosed return postage."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THE NIGHT HE CAME HOME.

Unconscious of the picture she made, she stood in the doorway of a little reception room that led into the drawing room, her eyes fixed thoughtfully on a man's face in the crowded room beyond. Melane had been watching her for some time. In the past two years he had heard much of her social triumphs and charms.

"Give me a welcome home," he pleaded, crossing the room to where she stood.

"Of course I will." She lifted her eyes to his. They were very beautiful eyes. A fresh, unsullied nobility of character shone in them. "It is a surprise to see you tonight. I thought you were on the other side."

"So it seems the home folk think," he answered ruefully. "I've had a beastly cold welcome. Got home an hour ago to find every soul gone. The lights and the music were so cheery over here I ventured without an invite and in this garb," looking down at his traveling suit; "but Mrs. Brown is an old friend."

"I see," the girl laughed; "your mother doesn't expect you home until next week."

"You were perfectly oblivious to the fact that I have been watching you for ten minutes and wondering why you were alone and so quiet."

"I was indulging in a little introspection. I'm hardly responsible," with a shrug of the fair shoulders. "It's a fault of the age—this picking to pieces of emotions, laying one's heart on a dissecting table and analyzing the why and the wherefore of each beat."

"And was the tall young fellow in there," glancing toward the drawing room, "responsible for it all?"

She laughed outright. "Isn't it delicious to have you for my mentor again? I might as well confess. All winter he has paid me marked attention. Flowers, candies and all the rest, you know, and I have liked him. Two weeks ago the tall, dark girl in there with him came here to visit Lena Wells, and I have been coolly dropped. I was trying to find out if I cared, or if it was only wounded pride."

"Why don't you be perfectly indifferent to him and flirt with some one else? I'm dying for a flirtation now. I have not made love to a girl since I left the dark eyed senoritas."

"If it would make you feel more at home you may make love to me," she said with sweet graciousness.

He drew her into a little curtained cozy corner beyond the door.

"Now, brace yourself. I'm going to begin."

"Once upon a time, there was a little lover who brought his sweetheart the biggest plums and ripest peaches and always carried home her books and slate. Did you ever hear of him, Caro?" He leaned toward her.

But she was turning the rings on her slim fingers, the faintest suggestion of a smile at the corners of her lips.

"One day in class he missed a word, not that it was unusual, and she refused to go above, because she lisped, 'I love you.' Then he gave her a pansy, with some boyish words of affection, and she flushed and asked, 'Am I your little heartsease?' Caro, don't you remember?"

"I don't remember to have given you any right to ask such questions."

"But you remember," he persisted.

She laughed softly. "How they hated me, those other little girls. They called me a mean, stuckup, snubnosed thing."

A little gleam of triumph shone in his eyes. She remembered.

"Then the mountain party years afterward. You were 16. I was leading your horse, the saddle turned and you fell right into my arms, Caro, and I kissed you."

The long lashes had curtained her eyes.

"Have you forgotten?" he whispered.

"However did you make such love to the senoritas?" she asked demurely. "You had no reminiscences and youthful follies in common."

"Don't interrupt, please. I promised to do it all. Then the night I left. I can feel your little fingers soft and warm in mine yet and see the wistfulness in your eyes. You cared then. You don't deny it. Your trembling lips and sweet wet eyes kept me straight over there among so many wild fellows. You told me to make a man of myself and I have worked three hard, honest years for you, dear. I have never loved any other woman."

He leaned toward her, his heart in his face. They were quite hidden by the drapery. A voice cut softly across the low humming that filled the rooms. A woman's voice as she passed with her attendant to the refreshment room. "The pretty blond who stood against these curtains—she was looking at you with her heart in her eyes," the voice said. "She is young, is petite, she will learn to shrug her shoulders and laugh as the years go on."

The girl leaned forward to catch the reply. Her blue eyes black, her cheeks white, the little teeth set relentlessly in the soft redness of her under lip.

The answer came lightly, after a moment.

"A man will pass a sweet wild rose if a lily glows and dazzles beyond."

The voices were lost in the hum.

She leaned back, the small hands clinched. He watched her anxiously. Then sensuous, softly swelling waltz melody throbbed in his brain.

Would she never speak? He dated not. Then with a long breath of relief she moved toward him. The delicate beauty of her face shone like a flower in the shadowed nook.

"Rob," she said softly, "I'm so glad I know."

"Know what, dear?" He covered the little fingers as if she had been a child.

"Know that it was wounded pride, of course. What did you think I meant? I would have got over it. No woman with any spirit would have cared for a man after that. But it is such a relief not to care." And she laughed a little light hearted childish laugh.

"Caro, are you sure?" His voice was full of entreaty. "Will you let me teach you to care for me?"

"It would be useless"—the words had no sting; the voice was soft and low—"perfectly useless, for I have discovered new and unsuspected territory in my being tonight. Rob, you dear, stupid, don't you understand?" She slipped her fingers into his, just as in the old childish days, "I've loved you straight through, but—you were gone so long."

There was au ecstatic movement of the curtain, then silence; because understanding is enough when people are in love.—Exchange.

A Picnic In Sight.

Notwed—S'pose you're going to the picnic tomorrow?

Beenwed—Not exactly going to one, but I'll be where there is one. I'm going to stay and mind the baby while my wife goes.—Ohio State Journal.

Solid Worth.

"Lulu, what a lovely bronze Beethoven!"

"Isn't he sweet? I use him to prop the door open. He isn't always falling over and breaking his nose, like that plaster Mozart."—Chicago Record.

Considerate.

"Long live the army!" shouted one Paris citizen.

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"Yes, but I'm not vindictive. I want to give it time to repent."—Washington Star.

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"Joe Jimp is getting old."

"Why do you say that?"

"Because when he got back from fishing he said he hadn't caught anything worth bragging about."—Chicago Record.

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C. D. Meares, W. L. DeRosset and others ex parte. } New Hanover county. Superior Court. Petition for Partition.

In pursuance of an order of sale, made in the above entitled cause, the undersigned Commissioner will sell by public auction to the highest bidder, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, on Wednesday, January 10th, 1900, (if not privately sold before that date), the following described real estate situate in the city of Wilmington, viz:

1 Lot No. 1. Beginning at the northwestern intersection of Market and Third streets and running thence westwardly with the northern line of Market street fifty three (53) feet, thence northwardly parallel with Third street seventy (70) feet and eight inches, thence eastwardly parallel with Market street fifty-three (53) feet to Third street, and thence with the western line of Third street seventy (70) feet and eight inches to the beginning.

2. Lot No. 2, adjoining lot No. 1 on the west. Beginning at a point in the northern line of Market street fifty-three (53) feet from the northwestern intersection of Market and Third streets, running thence westwardly with the northern line of Market street forty (40) feet to the line of Mrs. Potter's lot, thence north seventy (70) feet and eight inches, thence eastwardly forty (40) feet to the western line of lot No. 1, and thence southwardly to the beginning.

3. Lot No 3. Beginning at a point in the western line of Third street seventy (70) feet and eight inches north of the northwestern intersection of Market and Third streets, running thence west parallel with Market street ninety-three (93) feet to Mrs. Potter's line, thence north with said line forty-seven (47) feet, thence eastwardly ninety-three (93) feet to the western line of Third street, and thence southwardly along the western line of said street forty-seven (47) feet to the beginning.

4. Lot No. 4. Beginning at a point in the western line of Third street one hundred and seventeen (117) feet eight (8) inches north of the intersection of Market and Third streets, thence westwardly ninety-three (93) feet, thence northwardly fourteen (14) feet and four (4) inches, thence westwardly seventy-two (72) feet; thence north twenty-six (26) feet, thence eastwardly one hundred and sixty-five (165) feet to the western line of Third street, and thence along said line south forty (40) feet four (4) inches to the beginning.

5. Lot No 5 Beginning in the western line of Third street one hundred and fifty eight (158) feet from the northwestern intersection of Third and Market streets, thence west one hundred and sixty-five (165) feet, thence north forty (40) feet four (4) inches, thence eastwardly one hundred and sixty-five (165) feet to Third street, thence with said western line of Third street seventy (70) feet four (4) inches to the beginning.

6. Lot No. 6. Beginning at the northeastern corner of Second and Market streets, thence along the eastern line of Second street northwardly sixty-six (66) feet, thence eastwardly parallel to Market street thirty (30) feet, thence southwardly parallel with Second street sixty-six (66) feet to Market street, and thence west along the northern line of Market street thirty (30) feet to the beginning.

7. Lot No. 7, adjoining Lot No. 6 on the east. Beginning thirty (30) feet from the northeastern corner of Market and Second streets, thence with the eastern line of lot No 6 northwardly sixty six (66) feet, thence eastwardly thirty-seven (37) feet nine (9) inches, thence southwardly sixty-six (66) feet to Market street, thence westwardly along Market street thirty-seven (37) feet nine (9) inches to the beginning.

8 Lot No. 8, adjoining Lot No. 7 on the east. Beginning sixty-seven (67) feet nine (9) inches from the northeastern corner of Second and Market streets, thence northwardly sixty-six (66) feet, thence eastwardly twenty-one (21) feet, thence southwardly sixty-six (66) feet to Market street, thence westwardly along the northern line of Market street twenty-one (21) feet to the beginning

Terms of sale cash. Time of sale 11 o'clock A. M., January 10th, 1900. Place of sale County Court House. WM. L. DEROSSETT, Commissioner.

This 2nd day of November, 1899.
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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 49 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 35 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 23 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46.	MADISON BRANCH.	No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.		North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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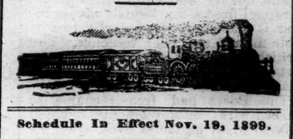

Schedule In Effect Nov. 19, 1899.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 38 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.38 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 12 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1 43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 42—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York †0.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 2.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 10.40 A M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 38 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.06 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 6.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.59 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.06 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6'40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.05 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M. Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M. Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxto n 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 1.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 3 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily, except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nash ville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 5.35 P. M., Nashville 11.32 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.30 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.15 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 14.

INVESTIGATING CASE OF ROBERTS OF UTAH.

Examination of Witnesses—Roberts Asks to be Informed As to His Status. Demurrer Over-ruled.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—The committee of the House of Representatives which is investigating the case of Mr. Roberts of Utah, opened its doors at 10.30 to-day to begin the examination of witnesses. A large number of spectators were on hand, including several ladies.

Mr. Roberts occupied a seat at the foot of the committee table, while flanking him was the delegation of Gentiles—Rev. Dr. Iliff, Mr. Schroeder and others—here to direct the case against the Utah member-elect.

When Chairman Tayler, Ohio, called the committee to order and asked what witnesses would be heard, Mr. Roberts arose and said:

"I respectfully ask to be informed as to my status before this committee. Am I regarded as a member of the House of Representatives?

"If you answer this question in the affirmative, then I ask that the committee confine itself to the consideration of my election, the returns of my election, and the qualifications of a member of Congress as defined in the constitution of the United States. If this committee shall find that my election is beyond question, then I ask that I be permitted to take the oath of office, as this is the only constitutional power which the House or this committee can exercise over me until I am sworn in.

"If the committee shall answer 'no' to this inquiry, then it has no jurisdiction whatever over me, as the constitution gives to the House power over its members only, and I ask that the proceedings before the committee be discontinued."

Mr. Tayler, Ohio, responded that all of Mr. Roberts' rights had been fully looked after and protected, and at the very threshold of the inquiry there was no proper question which had not been raised.

Charles Austin Owen, of Salt Lake City, was then called. The witness said that the general reputation of the status of Roberts and Dr. Maggie C. Shipp Roberts was that they maintained the relation of husband and wife.

Mr. Roberts then cross examined the witness. The questions were asked rapidly, sometimes savagely. Mr. Robert's questions brought out that the witness had no personal knowledge as to Mrs. Maggie Roberts or Mr. Roberts, based on talks with them, but only general information and common repute.

Mr. McEwen, of the Philadelphis *North American* was examined as to a recent interview with Roberts, signed by him (McEwen). In this Roberts spoke of his "wives," referring to them as "good and true women," toward whom obligations had been incurred prior to the enactment of the polygamy law.

Captain Elias H. Parsons, of the Quartermaster's Department, United States volunteers, testified to an incident occurring in 1896, while he was in Salt Lake City. About 8 A.M. some one asked him to call up on his telephone Dr. Maggie Shipp Roberts. On going to the telephone and calling up the house a man's voice answered. "Who is this?" Captain Parsons asked over the 'phone, "B. H. Roberts," was the reply, Captain Parsons testified.

On cross-examination Roberts asked: "Do you know B. H. Roberts' voice?" "I do not."

Rev. Dr. Iliff, a Methodist missionary, of Utah, testified that the general reputation as to the status of Celia Dibble-Roberts was that she was the plural wife of Brigham H. Roberts. On cross-examination Mr. Roberts sought to show that Dr. Iliff was hostile to the Mormons, the witness stating that his hostility was to the polygamous feature of Mormonism.

Rev. G. W. Martin, a Presbyterian minister of Manti, Utah, testified as to the reputation of the polygamous status of Celia Dibble Roberts, and Margaret C. Shipp Roberts toward Brigham H. Roberts. He saw statements to this effect in the Salt Lake newspapers, and heard of no denials. The polygamous status of Roberts was a matter of common repute. It was also reputed that twins had been born of Celia Dibble Roberts.

In the course of the hearing Mr. Tayler stated to Roberts that the latter's demurrer had been overruled, all questions being taken into consideration for determination later.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice December 12th, 1899.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Allie Bassmore, Carrie Bishop, Minnie Clark, M A Canady, Charlotte Dick, Mary Gatrew, Lear Hinah, Lucy Jackson, Sarah J Jordan Ferbia Leurs, Josephine Puples, Billy Robinson, G E Smith, Nettie Seymour, C S Lippitt, Sodie Wright.

MEN'S LIST.

G. W. Brown, J C Cooper, J M Garlough, J S Gause, W. B. Herring, William Jackson, Peter King, Richd King, James Lewis, Elijah Moffitt, N H Moore, W J McCall, Sawdy Redman, S. R. Piner, Chas Summens, F G Shipman, Harry G Swayne John Oliver Smith, George Watters, J. B. Watters, Frank Watters.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Bessie McFadda, W H Willson.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office. M. C. DARBY, Postmaster.

Governor Poynter, of Nebraska, has appointed ex-Senator Allen to fill the Senatorial vacancy caused by the death of Hayward. Senator Allen will proceed at once to Washington. It is announced that the appointment of Allen was made certain by the receipt of a telegram from W. J. Bryan by the Governor, in which Mr. Bryan urged that good faith and party expediency demanded Allen's appointment.

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BRITISH REPULSE AT MODDER RIVER.

Gen. Methuen's Forces Again Defeated in An Engagement With the Boers.

HEAVY LOSS ON BOTH SIDES.

Boers Report That Forty-one British Were Taken Prisoners—Gen. Wauchoupe, Commanding Highland Brigade, Killed—Quiet at Kimberley.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

NORTH OF MODDER RIVER, Dec. 11.—Early yesterday evening the Guards, of the Highland brigade, moved from the Modder river camp, marching in the night, in a northeasterly direction. The objective point of the Highlands was the eastern spur of the Boer position, the Guards following the bank of the river, while the Yorkshire light infantry moved along the river side. Just before daybreak the Highlanders arrived within two hundred yards of the Boer entrenchments at the foot of a hill. Unsuspecting that the Boers were in the vicinity, the British were still marching, quarter column in close order, when they met a terrible fire from the flanks and were forced to retire with heavy loss. The troops re-formed under the shelter of some rising ground and gallantly held their position.

Later, the Gordons arrived and the troops gradually worked their way until within three hundred yards of the Boer position, displaying the greatest gallantry. In the meanwhile, the naval gun at the Modder river, the howitzer batteries and the horse artillery opened a terrific fire, enfilading the trenches and searching every portion of the Boer position. The Boer guns were entirely silent. In the meanwhile, the Boers, on the open grounds directly in front, moved with the object of making a flank attack. But this was frustrated by the guards and artillery.

The Boers re-commenced shelling in the evening but no damage was done. The British slept on their position. It is expected that there will be a renewal of the fighting to-morrow. The losses on both sides were very heavy.

Gen. Methuen's Report.

LONDON, December 13.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from General Methuen dated Tuesday, December 12:

"Our artillery shelled a very strong position held by the enemy in a long high kopje from four until dusk Sunday. It rained hard last night. The Highland brigade attacked at daybreak on Monday the south end of the kopje. The attack was properly timed but failed. The Guards were ordered to protect the Highlanders' right and rear. The cavalry and mounted infantry, with a howitzer artillery battery, attacked the enemy on the left, and the Guards on the right, supported by field artillery and howitzer artillery. They shelled the position from daybreak and at 1:15 I sent the Gordons to support the Highland brigade. The troops held their own in front of the enemy's entrenchments until dusk, the position extending, including the kopje, for a distance of six miles toward the Modder river. To-day I am holding my position and entrenching myself. I had to face at least twelve thousand men. Our loss was great."

The Boers Account.

PRETORIA, Dec. 11.—An official report says:

"A battle at Modder river began yesterday with cannon firing, heavy fighting proceeding from 3.30 o'clock in the morning until 9.30 o'clock, with cannon, Maxims and rifles. A bombardment began at 4.30 o'clock, and the fighting still continues. A balloon has just arisen above the British positions where it remained ten minutes and descended. There were heavy rains during the night."

At 9 o'clock this morning, a further report was received from Modder river. A dispatch rider brought word that all the Boer positions had been maintained and that forty-one British prisoners had been taken. At 9.30 o'clock it was reported that the heavy cannon fire had somewhat abated.

The British are constantly using their balloon.

Gen. Gatacre's Situation.

LONDON, December 13.—The War Office to day received the following message from General Forestier-Walker:

"*Cape Town, December 12.*—No further details from Methuen. From Orange river it is reported that 320 wounded, including twenty-seven officers, have arrived there from the Modder river. Gatacre is moving from Bushman's Hoek to Sterkstroem to day. The magistrate at Sterkstroem wires that the situation there has slightly improved. Many of the missing have turned up. French reports that a detachment of cavalry, with two guns of the horse artillery, reconnoitred the enemy's position yesterday at Quilfontein and Vaalkop, eight miles north of Arundel. They shelled a farm and drove the enemy from Vaalkop. The Boer loss was one killed and several wounded. Our casualties nil."

PRETORIA, December 11.—Kimberley is still quiet.

Movement on Colenso.

LONDON, December 13.—A dispatch from Frere Camp, dated Tuesday, December 12th, morning, says:

"This morning a union brigade consisting of English, Scottish, Irish and Welsh fusiliers, under General Barton, with several naval guns, advanced and took a strong position three miles from Colenso, meeting with no opposition."

General Wauchope Killed.

LONDON, December 13.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Forestier-Walker:

Cape Town, Dec. 12.—Gen. Methuen wires that Gen. Wauchope was killed in action yesterday.

Gen. Wauchope, of the Black Watch, commanded the Highland brigade, with Gen. Methuen's column. He served in Ashanti, Egypt and the Soudan. He was frequently mentioned in the dispatches and twice contested Midlothian, once against Mr. Gladstone. He was a great favorite in the army.

The British Casualties.

The British casualties include the Marquis of Winchester, Major of the Second battalion, Coldstram Guards, who was killed, and Colonel Downham, of the First battalion Gordon Highlanders, who was mortally wounded. When the Highlanders met the murderous point-blank fire of the Boers, about two hundred were mown down. The Black Watch regiment, on reforming, was able to muster only 160 men. The Boers lost heavily in the trenches and also in the wire entanglements when they came into the open in an attempt to make a flank attack on the British.

The terrific British artillery fire provoked no response, except from the Boer rifles, until nearly 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Gordon Highlanders formed to renew the attack on the entrenched kopje. They advanced with the utmost gallantry to attack the Boers, close to the place where lay their dead and wounded comrades of the Highland brigade.

The enemy opened with a heavy shrapnel fire as the British advanced, and it was found physically impossible to take the Boer trenches. The British got within two hundred yards, but could not get nearer. It was here that Colonel Downham fell.

The Boers had free recourse to barbed-wire entanglements, which offered great obstacles even after the damage inflicted by the British artillery fire.

This morning (Tuesday) both sides occupied the positions they held before the battle. The greatest bravery was displayed by both officers and men. The wounded include Lieutenant Colonel A. E. Codrington and Captain Sterling, both of the first battalion of the Coldstrean Guards.

More Troops to Mobilize.

LONDON, December 13.—The Associated Press understands that the War Office has decided, in consequence of Lord Methuen's losses at Magersfontein, to mobilize an eighth division in reserve and to send the seventh division to the Cape.

FREERE CAMP, December 12.—The Boers are still shelling Ladysmith. The heat is terrific.

ENCOURAGING ADVICES FROM GENERAL OTIS.

Insurgents Melting Away Before Advance of American Troops—Aguinaldo in Hiding.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—Gen. Otis had some stirring news to report to-day from Manila, his advices going to show that the insurgents are, as he predicted a few days ago, at the end of their resources from a military point of view, and are melting away before the rapid advance of the American troops at all points. His cablegrams were as follows:

"*Manila, December 13.*—Fifty men of the navy and fifty men of the army, transported by the navy, took Laoag on the 10th instant. General Young, with staff, followed the next day. He reports Howe, with Penn's battalion of the Thirty-fourth, followed by a portion of the Thirty-third infantry, passed north to Pidding, east of Laoag. March's battalion of the Thirty-fourth was at Cayan, province of Legato, on the 7th inst. The Third cavalry was along the coast and in the mountains pursuing the enemy. Young states his extreme northern force passed over the mountains, driving the insurgents under General Tino, who was badly wounded, killing fifty and wounding many. He made large captures of rifles and property with all insurgent transportation and released all Spanish prisoners in that section, to the number of about two thousand. Our casualties were two wounded. Our troops are still pursuing the remnant of Tino's command. March's battalion of the 23rd, reports from Cayan, Lepanto province, on the seventh instant, that he has destroyed Aguinaldo's body guard; killed General Pilar; received the surrender of General Conception and staff; killed and wounded fifty two insurgents; released 575 Spanish prisoners, including 150 Friars, and captured considerable property. His loss was two killed and nine wounded. My information is that Aguinaldo has disguised his individuality, abandoned his troops, and is hiding in the province of Banguet."

General Otis' second dispatch follows:

"*Manila, December 13.*—Admiral Watson informs me that the Province of Cagayan surrendered unconditionally to Captain McCalla, of the Newark, on the 11th instant, all arms being surrendered. Major Batchelder is ninety miles east of Aparri; command in good condition. Navy will take supplies to Bachelder in launch at once; this surrender doubtless includes the province of Isabella. General Bates, at Zamboanga reports affairs there satisfactory. Nearly all rifles surrendered; McArthur at Banabang reports that he holds as prisoner of war, Mabini, the ablest of the insurgents and the founder of the late government.

SEABOARD AIR LINE R. R.

President Williams Says the New System Will Operate Trains Through to Florida in January.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, December 13.—Mr. John Skelton Williams, president of the Seaboard Air Line system, was in Baltimore to-day. Mr. Williams said that work upon the various extensions now building was being pushed with all possible speed, and the new system would begin operating through trains between New York and Florida in January. The extension between Petersburg, Va., and Ridgeway, N. C., has been finished and the engineers of the company are inspecting to-day, preliminary to accepting it.

Referring to Mr. Thomas F. Ryan's threat to prevent the consolidation of the Seaboard Air Line properties, Mr. Williams said: "Mr. Ryan's attempt to prevent the consolidation will not delay our plans, which are rapidly nearing consummation. His holding of Raleigh and Gaston, which will be the parent company of the new company, amounts to only 21 shares. Our counsel has advised us that Mr. Ryan has absolutely no ground to contest our position and we do not fear the outcome of any litigation he may see fit to bring.

TOBACCO GROWERS.

Organization Proposed to Fight the Tobacco Trust and Increase Prices.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., December 12.—The tobacco growers of the State have begun a movement to raise the price of the product throughout the Southern States, which planters say has decreased in ten years from 35 cents per pound to 12 cents. District conventions are to be held in the tobacco growing States in January for the purpose of appointing delegates to a convention to be held in Raleigh on January 17th.

The purpose of the convention will be to organize a company to buy the entire crop of bright tobacco grown in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee, and the farmers are to enter into an agreement, refusing to allow the trust, which the growers claim is reducing the price, to purchase any of the product for five years.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pain or Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

PROCEEDINGS IN THE CONGRESS.

Continuation of the Currency Debate in the House of Representatives.

A NIGHT SESSION WAS HELD.

So Far As Known Twelve Democrats Will Vote for the Bill—The Holiday Recess to Begin Dec. 20th—Senate Transacted No Business.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—To-day's session of the Senate consumed only a few minutes. Some routine business was transacted, but beyond the introduction of bills nothing of importance was accomplished.

Mr. Gallinger, New Hampshire, presented a bill for the codification of the pension laws. It is proposed that the commission shall consist of jurists and members of the G. A. R.

At 12.40 P. M. the Senate went into executive session and at 1.21 P. M. adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The currency debate in the House lasted from 11 o'clock this morning until 10:30 to-night, with a recess of three hours for dinner. The pressure for time to speak continues, as most of the members desire to make contributions to the literature of the occasion. Much of it, however, seems to be for home consumption. There has been very little cross firing thus far and no exciting or dramatic incidents. So far as known twelve Democrats, eight from New York, two from Pennsylvania and one each from Maryland and Massachusetts, will vote for the bill.

The House adopted a resolution for a holiday recess from December 20th to Wednesday, January 3rd.

Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, asked that the House adjourn over to morrow to give the members an opportunity to participate in the Washington memorial exercises, but Mr. Payne, the majority leader, objected. He said that he thought if George Washington were alive he thought he would be in favor of the House proceeding with the transaction of its business.

Mr. Bell, Colorado, was the first to speak on the Currency bill. He devoted much time to an argument against its banking features.

Mr. Wheeler, Kentucky, said he desired to acquit the Republicans, at least in his district, of the charge of a change of front. There the battle was waged squ rely by the bimetallists on the one side and the gold monometallists on the other, and the bimetallists piled up a majority of fifteen thousand.

Mr. Lacy, Iowa, in supporting the bill, said he was astounded to hear the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. Dearmond) declare that the Republican triumph of '96 was won by the purchase of Democratic votes.

"Does the gentleman contend that McKinley could have won without the recalcitrant gold Democrats?" asked Mr. Berry, of Kentucky.

"We won perhaps with the aid of those whom the gentleman denominates recalcitrant Democrats," replied Mr. Lacy. "But they were not bought or scared. No more honorable body of men ever stood up to be counted than the gold Democrats of 1896."

Mr. Benton, Missouri, said he stood with the Democratic and Populist parties in never-ending opposition to extending the powers of National banks.

Mr. Fox, Mississippi, argued that the enactment of the pending bill would increase the value of all obligations, public and private.

Mr. Pierce, Tennessee, said that although an advocate of free silver at 16 to 1, he could not see that free coinage of silver was involved in the provisions of the pending measure. It simply proposed to continue the existing conditions. In the course of his remarks he denominated Grover Cleveland, the arch enemy of silver and of the Democratic party. "He perverted the principles of his party," said Mr. Pierce, "and prostituted men high in its councils with promises of pelf and power."

The Democrats greeted this utterance with applause.

Mr. Sulzer, of New York, in opposing the bill, protested vigorously against the haste with which it was being considered. He said he favored sound money, hard money, gold and silver, and declared that it was dishonest to change the contracts made by the government with the bondholders by substituting "gold" for "coin." He announced himself unequivocally for the Chicago platform, which, he said, was the best platform ever adopted by the Democratic party. [Democratic applause].

The bill, Mr. Sulzer said, would create a national bank trust.

Mr. Cowherd, of Missouri, argued that the bill would inevitably result in the sale of millions of bonds to secure gold.

After some further remarks against the bill by Mr. Otey, of Virginia, and Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, Mr. Hill, of Connecticut, concluded the day's debate with an elaborate argument in favor of the gold standard.

At 5 o'clock the House took recess until 8 o'clock.

The Night Session.

At the night session the feature was a characteristic speech by Mr. Linney, Republican, North Carolina, the only Republican who voted for the Teller resolution in the 54th Congress. In explanation of his change of position in favor of the gold standard, Linney said: The gold standard had stood the test of experience, and had proved itself the ideal standard.

At 10:30 the House adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow.

By direction of the President, Major General Leonard Wood, U. S. V., is assigned to the command of the Division of Cuba, relieving Major General John R. Brooke, U. S. A. Major General Wood will, in addition to his duties as division commander, exercise the authority of military governor of the island.

A negro whose name is unknown was hanged to a telegraph pole, at Jones, Louisiana, by a mob last night. His crime was assault on a white woman. Jones is just across the Arkansas border.

Rev. Robert Cosman, Jr., rector of St. John's Church, Boston, was chosen Bishop of the P. E. Diocese of Maine, at a convention of the clergy and laity to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Right Rev. Henry A. Neely.

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ANOTHER SWINDLE EXPOSED.

Arrests Made in Savannah, Ga., of Persons Charged With Using the U. S Mails to Defraud.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., December 13.—Before the grand jury of the Federal District Court was discharged last night it returned indictments against D. A. Tyson, J. T. Hammond, W. E. Hutchinson, W. L. Jones, C. B. Reeves, and several others whose names are known, probably seven or eight, for conspiracy to defraud through the United States mails. The alleged scheme is one which out-Millers the Miller-Franklin syndicate of Brooklyn, in that the creditors have received no returns whatever.

The alleged conspirators used finely engraved and printed letter heads, ordered goods from firms all over the country, transferred the goods received from one party to another, and never paid for them. It appears from the evidence that the operations of the combine were quite extensive, the goods ordered and received embracing everything from nails to telephone supplies and grand pianos. Tyson, it is alleged, was the brains and chief executive of the affair. Some time ago he built a long distance telephone line from this city to Swainsboro, connecting the intervening towns, and the allegation is that he secured all of the material and instruments for the line by this system of fraud in ordering through the mails. A mass of telephone equipment material is said to be now in the depots of the line of railroads along which the parties to the alleged conspiracy live. The scheme is said to have been in operation for several years. The stationery and style of correspondence of the combination carried with them an air of eminent solidity and respectability. The indictments were found on the complaint of Steiner, Lobman and Frank, of Montgomery, Ala.

A POPULIST'S HARD LUCK.

Sent to the Penitentiary for Embezzling Government Funds to Aid His Party in Georgia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 13.—W. F. Carter, ex-postmaster at Meldrim, Ga., pleaded guilty in the United States District Court to-day to the charge of embezzelling funds of the government to the extent of $500, and was sentenced to two years in the Federal penitentiary at Columbus, O. In entering his plea of guilt, Carter's attorney made a statement to the court in which he said that while the accused was postmaster at Meldrim he was also chairman of the Georgia Populist executive committee. The committee needed funds for campaign expenses. Members of the committee assured Carter that all that was needed to carry the State was a little money. Said the attorney: "They painted a beautiful picture to Carter. He was promised a good office—one that would pay well. He listened to the tempters and gave them the money and, of course, he is guilty of the mis appropriation of funds."

The Populsts failed to carry the State, Carter's friends failed to come to his assistance, and he goes to prison.

MR. BELLAMY'S FIRST BILL.

It is Meeting With Hearty Approval by Newspaper Publishers Everywhere.

[*Charlotte News, 12th.*]

Congressman Bellamy, of the Sixth Congressional district, of which Mecklenburg is a part, introduced a bill in Congress yesterday that goes straight to the heart of all newspaper publishers in the United States.

Since the trusts have gotten hold of the paper mills of this country, the publishers have not only been forced to pay higher prices, but in many instances have had to wait their turn in getting their orders filled.

Prices have advanced fifty per cent. and there is no telling where they will stop. Advances have been made so frequently that nearly every mill and dealer in the country has withdrawn all quotations. Mr. Bellamy will be doing his constituents and the newspaper people of the entire country a great service if he can secure the repeal of the exorbitant and prohibitative tariff on wood pulp, newspaper and writing paper.

WARM WIRELETS.

The executive committee of the Prohibition party has decided to hold the national convention in Chicago, June 27th, 1900.

Adelbert S. Hay, son of the Secretary of State and the newly appointed United States consul at Pretoria, sailed yesterday on the American line steamer St. Louis.

The battleship Texas, Capt. Sigsbee commanding, passed out from Norfolk yesterday. She will proceed to Havana and bring home the bodies of the Maine's sailors.

S. W. Gardner, a visitor in Macon, Ga., from Orlando, Fla., lost $17,600, and has thus far found no trace of the money. The money was lost while Gardner was driving in a surrey.

A young white boy, named Moreys, was shot and killed last night by Lee Seay, a negro, at Dalton, Ga. The murderer was lodged in jail with difficulty and there was much excitement.

Jim Godding and Wash Powell, negroes, were hanged in Valdosta, Ga., yesterday for the murder of a country storekeeper named Vickers, about two months ago. The execution was private.

The executive committee in charge of arrangements for the proposed national anti trust conference, have issued an address calling the conference to meet in Chicago on the anniversary of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, February 13th, 1600.

The Atlanta *Constitution* says efforts are being made by certain promoters and financial interests in the East to form a combine of all ice manufacturing plants in the principal cities of the South. An agent of the promoters has been in Atlanta for the past two days looking over the local field.

The United Mine Workers of Alabama have declared open war on the Knights of Labor and a resolution recommending that the district organization do all in its power to overthrow and eradicate the Knights of Labor in Alabama will be adopted at to-morrow's session of the convention of mine workers in Birmingham.

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